

## Claims

1. A masking tape comprising

- a) a heat resistant adhesive tape comprising a paper backing and a pressure-sensitive adhesive composition,
- b) a masking material, which is laminated in an edge region of the pressure-sensitive adhesive composition, is capable of adhering to paint and consists of a woven fabric, a nonwoven fabric or a sheet capable of adhering,
- c) a masking sheet, which is laminated onto the very same edge region of the pressure-sensitive adhesive composition,
- d) the masking sheet, covering the masking material on a side thereof.

2. The masking tape of claim 1, wherein the adhesive tape is a heat-resistant adhesive tape for the automobile painter, a so-called masking tape, with a heat resistance especially at temperatures up to 130°C (1 hour).

3. The masking tape of claim 1, wherein the adhesive tape is 15 to 75 mm wide and, in particular 19 to 30 mm wide.

4. The masking tape of claim 1, wherein the paper backing is creped, extensible and flexible and has good paint adhesion and the whole adhesive tape has a thickness of 100 to 250  $\mu\text{m}$  and especially of 130 to 200  $\mu\text{m}$ .

5. The masking tape of claim 1, wherein the masking material is unbleached Kraft paper, having a weight of 30 to 40  $\text{g/m}^2$  and a width especially of 15 to 50 cm and particularly of 20 to 40 cm.

6. The masking tape of claim 1, wherein the masking sheet has a thickness of 7 to 40  $\mu\text{m}$  and especially of 8 to 20  $\mu\text{m}$ , consists especially of polyolefin, particularly

polyethylene and especially is corona pretreated, and the width, in particular is 0.5 to 2 m.

7. The masking tape of claim 1, wherein the masking sheet is folded so that it can be extended, follows, in particular, the external dimensions of the masking material and is folded against the masking material in accordion fashion.

8. The masking tape of claim 1, wherein a portion of the edge region of the pressure-sensitive adhesive composition, to which the masking material adheres, is 1 to 5 and particularly 2 to 4 mm wide and a portion of the edge region of the pressure-sensitive adhesive composition to which the masking sheet adheres is 1 to 5 and, in particular, 2 to 4 mm wide.

9. The masking tape of claim 1, wherein the tape is rolled up into a roll, the masking sheet is folded and the height of the roll corresponds approximately to the width of the masking material plus the width of the adhesive tape.

10. A method comprising applying the masking tape of claim 1 to a part, especially an automobile part, to be masked, and then subjecting said part to a surface treatment, especially painting.